

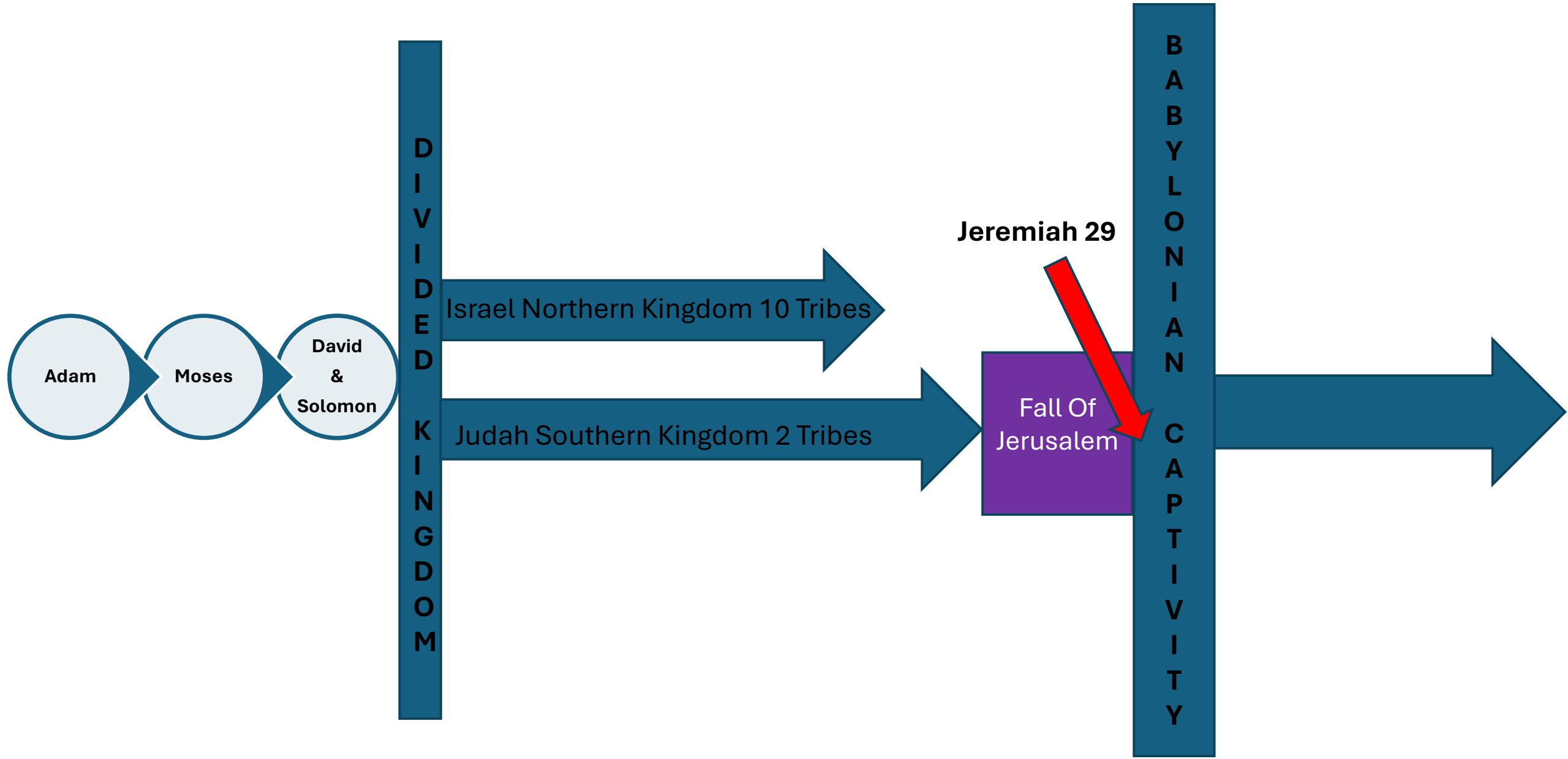


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# *Jeremiah 29:1-9*

*Jesus chose to **ENGAGE** with his culture and live redemptively in a hostile world. He was IN the world, but not OF the world. Jesus was a positive spiritual influence in his world. He didn't withdraw, He **ENGAGED***





# *Remember God Has You Here For A Purpose*

- *Lord Almighty*
- *I Carried you into exile*
- *God's purpose*

*“We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.”*

2 Cor 5:20



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# *Choose To Live Intentionally Where God Has Placed You*

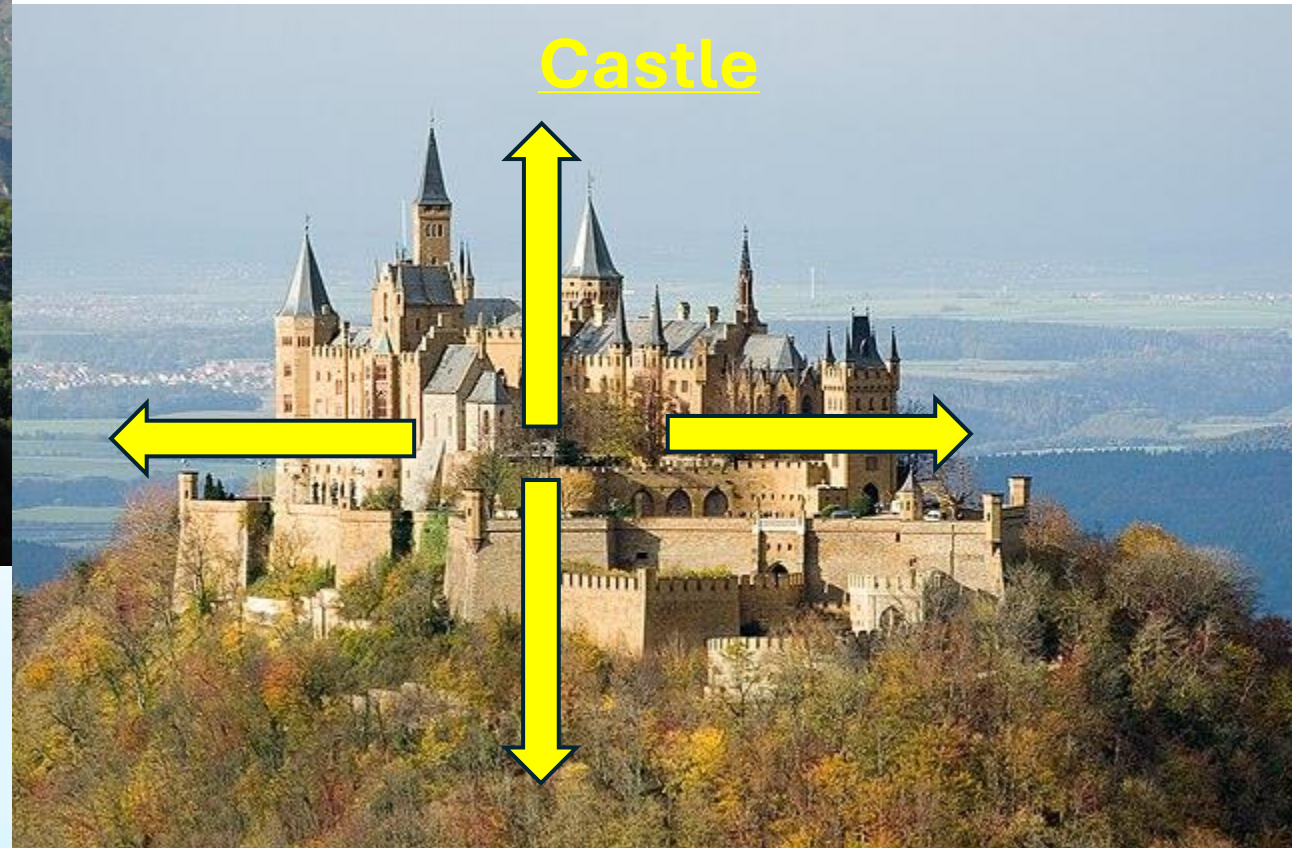
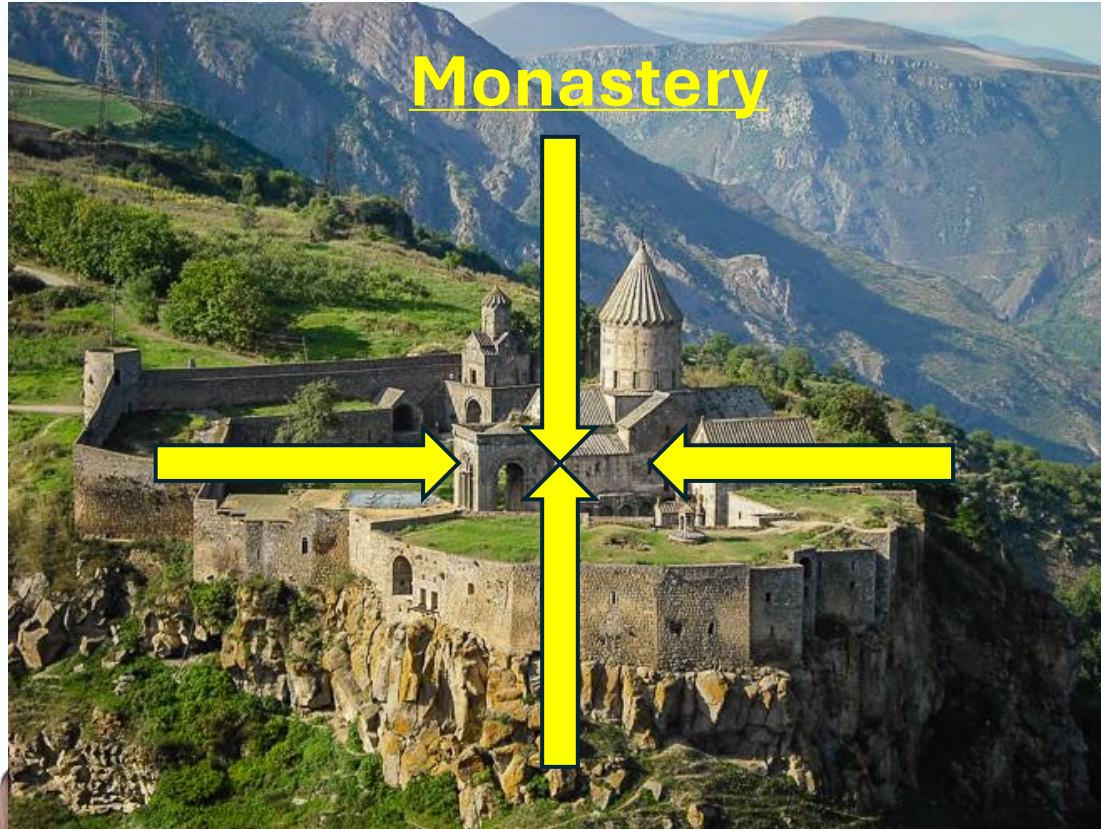


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# *Choose To Live Intentionally Where God Has Placed You*



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# *Choose To Live Intentionally Where God Has Placed You*

- *Build houses*
- *Plant gardens*
- *Increase: Have kids and grandkids*



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# *Living Intentionally Means*

- *You are IN the world but not OF the world.      Jn 17:14-15*
- *You are physically present and spiritually separate.    Jas 1:27*
- *You remember Jesus has overcome the world.        Jn 16:33*



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# *How To Intentionally*

- *Heart: Guard your heart* *Prov 4:23*
- *Mind: Renew your mind* *Rom 12:2*
- *Actions: Act like Jesus* *Gal 5:25*



# *Seek The Best Of The World In Which God Has You*

- *Seek Peace*
- *Seek Prosperity*
- *Pray for your world*



# ***Be Wise And Don't Be Deceived By False Messengers***

- ***Literal false prophets***
- ***Cultural “influencers”***

***God raised up Israel and Rome***

***God anointed David and Caesar***

***But not for the same purposes. Not even for similar purposes.***

***These anointings were not the same. Not even close***

***Knowing the difference is key to avoiding blasphemy in our own time.***



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# *Today...*

- *Choose to ENGAGE, not WITHDRAW!*
- *Fully LIVE where God has placed you*
- *Seek the BEST of your world*
- *Be Careful*
- *Be Prepared: ABC*



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